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SUBJECT: MEDIA REPORT ZIMBABWE DEMOCRACY BILL; HARARE

[11.](#) SPEAKING IN HIS CAPACITY AS THE ZANU PF DEPUTY
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SECRETARY FOR INFORMATION AND PUBLICITY, INFORMATION
MINISTER JONATHAN MOYO HAS CRITICIZED THE UNITED STATES FOR
SPONSORING THE ZIMBABWE DEMOCRACY AND ECONOMIC RECOVERY
BILL 2001. THE LEAD ARTICLE PUBLISHED IN THE AUGUST 5
EDITION OF THE GOVERNMENT-CONTROLLED WEEKLY 'THE SUNDAY
MAIL,' QUOTES MINISTER MOYO AS HAVING CHARACTERIZED THE
BILL AS "A RACIST PIECE OF LEGISLATION." UNDER HEADLINE
"STATE SLAMS U. S.: AMERICA NOT THE POLICEMAN OF THE WORLD:
MOYO," THE PAPER REPORTS:

[12.](#) "AMERICA IS NOT THE POLICEMAN OF THE WORLD AND SHOULD
LEAVE ZIMBABWE TO DETERMINE ITS DESTINY, THE ZANU PF
DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR INFORMATION AND PUBLICITY,
PROFESSOR JONATHAN MOYO, SAID YESTERDAY (AUGUST 14).
HE WAS COMMENTING ON THE PASSING OF THE ZIMBABWE
DEMOCRACY AND ECONOMIC RECOVERY BILL THAT SEEKS TO
IMPOSE SANCTIONS AGAINST ZIMBABWE BY THE U. S. SENATE
LAST FRIDAY. . . 'I CAN'T SEE A NORMAL PRESIDENT SIGNING
SUCH A RACIST BILL. THE PASSAGE OF THE BILL SEEMS TO
BE A TYPICAL EXAMPLE OF THINGS THAT ARE FULL OF SOUND
THAT SIGNIFY NOTHING. . . THE PEOPLE DON'T UNDERSTAND
HOW A GOVERNMENT THAT ALLOWS A GENOCIDE IN RWANDA NOW
WANTS TO POKE ITS NOSE INTO THE AFFAIRS OF ZIMBABWE.
THE PEOPLE DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW A GOVERNMENT THAT IS
PLAYING PING PONG WHILE PALESTINIANS ARE BEING GUNNED
DOWN BY THE BRUTALITY OF ISRAEL WANTS TO GET INVOLVED
IN ZIMBABWEAN MATTERS. MORE IMPORTANTLY, THE PEOPLE
DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW A COUNTRY THAT DOES NOT WANT TO
APOLOGIZE FOR SLAVERY IN AFRICA, A COUNTRY THAT DOES
NOT WANT TO COMPENSATE AFRICA FOR COLONIALISM, YET
ASSISTING ISRAEL TO GET COMPENSATION, CAN POKE ITS NOSE
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ON THE AFFAIRS OF ZIMBABWE. IF THEY DON'T WANT TO
APOLOGIZE TO AFRICA FOR SLAVERY AND COLONIALISM, WHY
SHOULD WE TAKE THEM SERIOUSLY WHEN THEY TALK OF
DEMOCRACY. . . ? THE BILL IS A RACIST BILL BECAUSE IT'S
TARGETING AFRICAN PEOPLE WHOSE CRIME IS TO SEEK THE
RESTORATION OF THEIR FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS. IT'S NOTHING
BUT A RACIST PIECE OF LEGISLATION. . . AMERICA IS
BASICALLY A RACIST COUNTRY. ITS HISTORY IS A HISTORY
OF RACISM, SLAVERY, AND COLONIALISM. OUR FORMER SLAVE
MASTERS CAN NEVER BE OUR LIBERATORS. THEY CAN NEVER
STOP THE THIRD CHIMURENGA, AND IF THEY TRY TO DO SO,
THEY WILL CAUSE ANOTHER REVOLUTION. . . .', HE SAID."

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